AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A system for viewing multimedia content, the system comprising:

a communication network;

a content source coupled to the communication network;

a broadcast center coupled to the communication network; and

a plurality of client systems coupled to the broadcast center, wherein the plurality of client systems ~~is associated with a household, the plurality of client systems being logical extensions of each other~~ is organized according to an object-oriented model in which logical software objects are instantiated in an object hierarchy that includes:

a household object that contains attributes and data related to a household in which the client systems are located; and

a plurality of user objects that contain attributes and data related to respective users of the client systems,

wherein the user objects are contained in the household object and, when instantiated, the user objects define interaction of the respective users with the plurality of client systems.

2-3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[3]] 1, wherein a client system of the plurality of client systems is configured to be selectively accessed by a user to change a configuration of a user object of the plurality of user objects, the system being configured to provide the change to all of the client systems of the plurality of client systems without further activity from the user.

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5. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[3]] 1, wherein the system is configurable to selectively add a new client system to the plurality of client systems, the system being configured to provide the plurality of user objects to the new client system without activity from a user.

6. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[3]] 1, wherein a user object of the plurality of user objects can be concurrently active in more than one client system of the plurality of client systems.

7. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[3]] 1, wherein the plurality of user objects includes an anonymous user object, wherein the anonymous user object is configured to be accessible to all users.

8. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[3]] 1, further comprising a server operatively coupled to the plurality of client systems, wherein the server is configured to include information related to each user object of the plurality of user objects.

9. (Original) The system of claim 8, wherein the server is configured to include a revision history, the revision history being configurable to include information related to configuration changes of the plurality of user objects.

10. (Original) The system of claim 9, wherein the revision history includes a ticket number associated with each configuration change that is included in the revision history.

11. (Currently amended) A system for viewing multimedia content, the system comprising:

~~source means for providing multimedia content;~~

distribution means for distributing multimedia content from [[the]] a source ~~means~~;

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~~network means for supporting communication between the source means and the distribution means; and~~

a plurality of access means, communicatively coupled to the distribution means, for ~~selectively~~ providing access to the multimedia content~~, wherein the plurality of access means is associated with a household, the plurality of access means being logical extensions of each other~~;

at least one household object representing a household to which the plurality of access means pertains, wherein the household object is a logical software object that includes attributes and data concerning the household; and

a plurality of user objects representing users of the plurality of access means, wherein the user objects are logical software objects that include attributes and data concerning the users, and wherein the user objects are contained in the household object when the household object and the user objects are instantiated.

12-13. (Canceled)

14. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[13]] 11, wherein an access means of the plurality of access means is configured to be selectively accessed by a user to change a configuration of a user object of the plurality of user objects, the system being configured to provide the change to all of the access means of the plurality of access means without further activity from the user.

15. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[13]] 11, wherein the system is configurable to selectively add a new access means to the plurality of access means, the system being configured to provide the plurality of user objects to the new access means without activity from a user.

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16. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[13]] 11, wherein a user object of the plurality of user objects can be concurrently active in more than one access means of the plurality of access means.

17. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[13]] 11, wherein the plurality of user objects includes an anonymous user object, wherein the anonymous user object is configured to be accessible to all users.

18. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[13]] 11, further comprising a server operatively coupled to the plurality of access means, wherein the server is configured to include information related to each user object of the plurality of user objects.

19. (Original) The system of claim 18, wherein the server is configured to include a revision history, the revision history being configurable to include information related to configuration changes of the plurality of user objects.

20. (Original) The system of claim 19, wherein the revision history includes a ticket number associated with each configuration change that is included in the revision history.

21. (Currently amended) A method for viewing content delivered to a client system, the method comprising:

associating a plurality of client systems with a household;

~~organizing the plurality of clients systems associated with the household into logical extensions of each other; and~~

instantiating at least one household object that represents the household, wherein the household object is a logical software object that includes attributes and data related to the household; and

instantiating a plurality of user objects that represent users of the plurality of client systems, wherein the user objects are logical software objects that include attributes and

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data related to the users, and wherein the user objects are contained in the household object when the household object and the user objects are instantiated; and

delivering content from a content source via a communication network to at least one of the plurality of clients systems in accordance with ~~the organization into logical extensions~~ at least one of the user objects.

22. (Currently amended) The method of claim 21, ~~wherein organizing the plurality of client systems associated with the household into logical extensions of each other includes~~ further comprising:

~~associating a plurality of user objects with the household, each user object containing information related to a user in the household~~ receiving a change of configuration of a user object from a user via a client system of the plurality of client systems; and

providing the ~~plurality of user objects~~ change to all of the client systems of the plurality of client systems ~~associated with the household~~ without requiring further input from the user.

23. (New) The method of claim 22, further comprising storing a revision history that includes information related to configuration changes of the plurality of user objects.

24. (New) The method of claim 21, further comprising:

receiving information that a new client system has been added to the plurality of client systems of the household; and

providing the plurality of user objects to the new client system without requiring input from the user.

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